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SUBJECT: IAEA NUCLEAR POWER PROJECT AND IMPLEMENTATION
TRAINING PROGRAM

- 1. AGENCY HAS PROVIDED MISSION WITH COPY OF INTERNAL MEMO AND MINUTES OF FIRST MEETING OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AGENCY'S EXPANDED TRAINING PROGRAM ON NUCLEAR POWER PROJECT AND IMPLEMENTATION WHICH WAS HELD AT KARLSRUHE MARCH 12-13, 1975. COPIES POUCHED AMB. TAPE AND AMMONS/ERDA.
- 2. BASED ON DISCUSSIONS AT THIS MEETING, AGENCY CONCLUDED THAT ARRANGEMENTS OF COURSES AT KARLSRUHE AND ARGOMME ARE GENERALLY PROCEEDING WELL, BUT THAT ADDITIONAL EFFORTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO RESOLVE SEVERAL QUESTIONS THAT CAME UP CONCERNING ISSUES THAT WERE NOT RPT NOT FULLY UNDERSTOOD, I.E., (A) THE NEED FOR AGENCY PARTICIPATION IN TEACHING CERTAIN SUBJECTS WITH POLITICAL AND COMMERCIAL IMPLICATIONS WAS NOT RPT NOT THOROUGHLY UNDERSTOOD AND APPRECIATED BY THE ARGONNE GROUP; (B) THE MATTER OF COMMERCIAL PRESENTATIONS BY VENDORS HAS NOT RPT NOT YET BEEN RESOLVED IN SATISFACTORY MANNER; (C) ALTHOUGH FRG, FRANCE AND USA WILL ALL CAREFULLY FOLLOW AGENCY SYLLABUS FOR COURSE, THERE WILL INEVITALLY BE DIFFERENCES IN THE THREE COURSES. (AGENCY DOES NOT RPT NOT REGARD THIS AS DRAWBACK, HOWEVER, AS DIFFERENCES MAINLY REFLECT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DIFFERENT NATIONAL CHARACTERS, ETC.); AND (D) EXTENT TO WHICH BOTH FRANCE AND FRG WILL PARTICIPATE IN VARIOUS

PHASES OF TRAINING COURSE BEYOND 1976 IS UNCERTAIN.

- 3. RE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ARGONNE COURSE, AGENCY STAFF MEMBERS DIRECTLY CONCERNED (HAMMOND AND SKJOELDEBRAND) ARE CONCERNED THAT THERE MAY NOT RPT NOT BE SUFFICIENTLY BROAD ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL INPUTS INTO PLANNING AND PREPARATION FOR COURSE, NOTING, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT ANL TENDING TO TRY AND DO IT ALL ON THEIR OWN, WITHOUT BRINGING IN U.S.G. INVOLVEMENT ON SUCH TOPICS AS SAFEGUARDS AND REGULATORY MATTERS. AGENCY STRONGLY HOPES THAT USG COULD HELP PROVIDE BROADER BASE FOR INPUT NECESSARY TO ADEOUATE COVERAGE OF ALL TOPICS TO BE PRESENTED AT COURSE. AGENCY ALSO BELIEVES IT IS IMPORTANT IN THIS FORMULATIVE STAGE FOR ALL SUBSTANTIVE COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN AGENCY AND ANL TO FLOW THROUGH OFFICIAL USG CHANNELS. (IN THIS CONNECTION, AGENCY HAS NOT RPT NOT SENT COPY OF MINUTES OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING TO ANL, BUT SUGGESTS THAT ERDA SEND COPY). AGENCY IS FULLY STAISFIED, HOWEVER, THAT ANL IS DOING EXCELLENT JOB IN MAKING PLANS TO MAKE MOST PRODUCTIVE USE OF PARTICIPANTS' TIME DURING COURSE
- 4. AGENCY EMPHASIZES FOREGOING SHOULD NOT RPT NOT BE INTER-PRETED TO MEAN THAT AGENCY IS DISATISFIED WITH ANL PLANS, ETC., BUT ONLY THAT THERE IS SOME ROOM FOR IMPORVEMENTS WHICH WILL PROBABLY REQUIRE USG GUIDANCE AND PARTICIPATION TO ACCOMPLISH. AGENCY BELIEVES IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR USG TO MAINTAIN CLOSE AND CONTINUING ROLE IN PLANNING FOR COURSE. MISSION FULLY SHARES THIS VIEW AND STRONGLY URGES THAT ERDA TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO ASSURE THAT ARRANGEMENTS FOR COURSE PROCEED SMOOTHLY.
- 5. ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AT KARLSRUHE WAS EXTREMELY VALUABLE MECHNAISM FOR RESOLVING MISUNDERSTANDINGS ON BOTH SIDES, AND DEMONSTRATED IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUING TO HAVE SUCH MEETINGS AT FREQUENT INTERVALS AS PLANS PROCEED.

 NEXT MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR MAY 22-23 IN VIENNA, EARLY AUGUST AT ARGONNE, AND SOMETIME IN NOVEMBER AT KARLSRUHE. PORTER

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